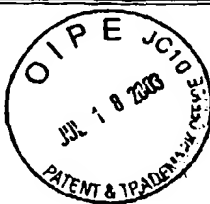


Form PTO-1449 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



ATTY. DOCKET NO.  
1284-01

SERIAL NO.  
09/914,515

**LIST OF PRIOR ART CITED BY APPLICANT**

(Use several sheets if necessary)

APPLICANT  
Rainer Heintzmann et al.

FILING DATE  
October 24, 2001

GROUP  
2878

**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

EXAMINER INITIAL*		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	AA						
	AB						
	AC						
	AD						
	AE						
	AF						
	AG						
	AH						
	AI						
	AJ						
	AK						

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
							YES	NO
SY	AL	EP 0 352 975 A2	01/31/90	Europe			x	
SY	AM	WO 91/07682	05/30/91	PCT			x	
SY	AN	EP 0 562 488 A1	09/29/93	Europe			x	
	AO							
	AP							

**OTHER PRIOR ART** (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	AR	
	AS	
	AT	

EXAMINER

DATE CONSIDERED

11/26/03

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to Applicant.